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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 09/986,975

As requested in your telephone call today, enclosed is a copy of the Response to Restriction Requirement filed with the USPTO on October 23, 2003 in response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2003.

Applicant: <u>Shunji IMAI, et al</u>		Docket No. <u>43890-552</u>	
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